

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD Old South Carriage Property 88, 511-519 (odd) Meeting Street and 0 Walnut Street, Charleston

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through June 22, 2016.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 16-6391-NRP, will affect approximately 1.6 acres located at 511 – 519 (odd) Meeting Street, 88 Meeting Street and 0 Walnut Street in Charleston, South Carolina. The property is further identified by Charleston County Tax Map Serial Numbers 459-05-03-080, 459-05-03-081, 459-05-03-082, 459-05-03-083, 459-05-03-084, 459-05-03-0888, and 459-05-03-137. A company known as 511 Meeting Street, LLC (511 Meeting), wants to acquire the property from the current owners. This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and 511 Meeting.

Past uses of the property include a mix of commercial and industrial uses including automotive repair shops, upholstery shops, sign painting shops and a roofing company. Some of these past uses may have caused environmental pollution on the property.

511 Meeting intends to develop the property with new buildings for a mix of residential and commercial uses. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, DHEC will allow 511 Meeting to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution from past activity on the property. DHEC will not hold 511 Meeting responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under the proposed contract, 511 Meeting will test soil and groundwater on the property. If significant contamination is found, 511 Meeting will be required to take steps to protect human health and the environment. 511 Meeting did not create the pollution, but will control it to keep the property safe for re-use.

DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to encourage productive reuse of Brownfield sites. Under State law, 511 Meeting will not be responsible if anyone has been affected by the contamination. The responsibility of former owners or operators of the property is not reduced by this contract. .

The proposed contract is available at http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices/. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through June 22, 2016. Questions or comments may be directed to Angela Gorman, Project Manager, by e-mail at gormanak@dhec.sc.gov, telephone (803) 898-0929, or TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to Angela Gorman at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.